CLAIMS

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1. An I.S. machine comprising

a takeout mechanism including a takeout arm and means for displacing the takeout arm along a predetermined path initially longitudinally in a first direction from a bottle gripping location to a first takeout arm deadplate location and then transversely to a second takeout arm deadplate location,

a deadplate mechanism including a deadplate housing supported for transverse displacement from a retracted position to an advanced position following a portion of the transverse takeout arm path,

a cullet chute beneath the transverse path of the takeout arm,

first displacement means for displacing the deadplate mechanism to a position remote from said cullet chute, and

second displacement means for displacing the takeout arm to a release position above the cullet chute so that gripped bottles can be released into the cullet chute.

25 2. An I.S. machine according to claim 1, wherein said cullet chute is located beneath the takeout arm at the first deadplate location of the takeout arm and the remote position of the deadplate mechanism is adjacent the transverse displacement path of said takeout arm.

first displacement means for displacing the deadplate mechanism to a position remote from said cullet chute .

3. An I.S. machine according to claim 2, wherein said takeout arm includes gripper means for gripping a bottle and means for operating said gripper means to grip or release a bottle.